# UPPER MOUTERE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



#### **NEWS AND EVENTS**:

29 Sept Motec Expos 1 Oct Term 3 Ends

18 Oct Term 4 Begins 26 Oct Rockfest

 Nov Swim Magic Lessons start
Nov Athletics Day
Dec End term 4 2021

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We have now been back at Delta Level 2 for seven days. Everyone seems to have settled back with enthusiasm. For some, the length of the school day has been a bit of a challenge with the morning in particular seeming to be longer than usual!

We welcomed Harrison, Benji and Ella to Upper Moutere after Lockdown. Harrison is in Marama while Benji and Ella have joined Turama.

During Lockdown we missed our two weeks swimming at the ASB Aquatic Centre. Patsy and her team at Swim Magic have been able to find us an alternative two weeks next term. We will only swim nine days instead of ten as the Moutere Hills Athletics Sports Day is going to be held on Thursday 11 November this year. This is during the two weeks available.

After the past two years having to cancel our Sports Day held on a Saturday, due to rain, principals and staff decided to try a weekday for this year's event. It seemed that we should choose the 11th being Armistice Day, the date originally chosen for this now historic event. If (and surely we are not going to be rained out a third year in a row) we need to postpone then we have been able to find a date when all schools are free to participate, Friday 26 November. This is the week after our Year 7/8 have been to Wellington for the week and Dovedale's senior students will have returned from their Wellington experience the day before.

This week Toby and a number of senior students spent quite some preparing root trainers before pricking out some of our seedlings into them. We now have around 1200 very small plants which we hope will continue to flourish. We do have more seedlings that need some more time to develop and we should be able to prick thesesout after the holidays. We have plans to extend our shade house and put in an automatic irrigation system very soon.

On the night the Prime Minister announced we were going into Lockdown at Level 4 the Board was working with an outside facilitator on developing a Strategic Plan. This work quickly came to a halt, however just prior to starting the workshop, the School Board elected Andy Marr to the role of Board Chair/ Presiding Member.

Andy will lead his first Board meeting next Wednesday 22 September 5.30pm.





#### **PRINCIPAL AWARDS**

#### Eamonn S:

Earlier in the week Eamonn arrived at my office wanting to present his speech to me. I am sure presenting a speech is not top of Eamonn's wish list, but boy did he deliver! Great content, great structure and great delivery. I was very impressed, though he has not convinced me that I should get into Minecraft!

#### **Student Awards**

#### <u>Turama</u>

**Saffie & Micah**: We would like to recognise you both for the brilliant work you do as Turama's student bankers. You show a high level of commitment to this job and carry out your responsibilities with maturity. Tino pai tō mahi!

#### <u>Ramaroa iti</u> Archie;

You have a wonderful attitude to learning and your listening skills are fantastic- well done!

#### Harper M:

Your learning lights are shining brightly in everything you do and you are a kind friend in our class.

#### <u>Ramaroa nui</u>

**Henri** It's fantastic to see the focus and effort you are putting into your learning. I have noticed how much you enjoy maths as you share your knowledge with the rest of the class. A super well done to you!

Alex Sh; you have a fabulous attitude to learning. You are putting in the effort in Literacy and it's making such a difference. Keep up this wonderful momentum!

#### <u>Marama</u>

**Marama D**: Congratulations on having your writing selected as "noteworthy" in the recent national Matariki writing competition – very well done Marama! We are so proud of your creative writing efforts.

**Finyas:** You continuously push yourself to achieve across all curriculum areas. You approach new learning with your confident light shining! Ka pai tō māramatanga Finyas!

**Kaela:** You are an enthusiastic learner and your thinker light is on fire! You enjoy getting stuck in to a challenge and extending your knowledge. Ka pai tō mahi e hoa! **Blake F**: You are a kind and mature individual who continuously makes the right choice. You are a supportive and caring friend, and we absolutely love having you in Marama!

#### Nelson Classic Car Museum Show this ad on your phone to get the \$30 School Holiday Family Special (1 adult + 4 kids OR 2 adults + 2 kids)

Open every day 10am-4pm. 1 Cadillac Way, Nelson (next to Mitre10). Offer valid Sat 2 - Sun 17 October 2021. www.nelsonclassiccarmuseum.nz





#### MOTUEKA CRICKET CLUB Est. 1857

#### **MOTUEKA JUNIOR CRICKET**

#### REGISTRATION

Friday 24 September 5:00 – 6:00pm Memorial Park, Motueka



An online registration link can be found on our Facebook Page. <u>https://www.facebook.com/motuekajuniorcricket/</u>

For all Junior Cricket enquiries, please phone: Kara Simkin – 021 1767472 or email juniormotuekacricket@gmail.com



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## October School Holidays Nature Programme

Nature play, bushcraft, and fun nature adventures. Located in nature spaces throughout Tasman Bay Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of the school holidays. 5-13 year olds. 9am-3pm \$50 for the day

\$5 Pick ups and drop offs available from town.

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